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A BAD MAN.

ALLEGED MURDERER HELPS STRIKE.

FORMER SEAMEN LEADER.

"Pardoned" by Dr. Sun Yat-sen for the alleged murder of his wife, subsequently deported from Hongkong as an undesirable, accused of having misappropriated public funds in this Colony, Canton and Shanghai, a notorious "labour boss" is now active once more in the strike against Hongkong.

Reported exclusively in the "China Mail" about a fortnight ago was the fact that Chinese coming to Hongkong from Namtau were being "squeezed" of various amounts. It was then stated that Chan Ping-sang, the notorious man whose career has been briefly given, was mainly responsible.

Namtau is a small port, in Chinese territory, just beyond Deep Bay. At least one big steam launch makes the journey to and fro each day. Fish and other foodstuffs, and passengers come to Hongkong from Namtau. With other routes temporarily closed up it was only natural that Hongkong strikers should make their way, overland or by native river craft, to Namtau to return to work. As soon as Canton heard of the port they opened up a strikers' branch office there. Pickets were sent out and soon Chan Ping-sang was the No. 1 man.

\$100 Per Head.

For a time very few people got through and little or no fish was shipped here. Then the restrictions seem to relax. According to the vernacular papers Namtau's strike office is now letting cargo and travellers through, on a consideration. Each person leaving Namtau for Hongkong, so the report goes, must pay a cash deposit of \$100 which will be forfeited on failure to return the same day. In other words, those wishing to return to their old positions must pay \$100 for the privilege. As many know, there are a good many domestic servants, coolies and seafaring Chinese from the hinterland of Namtau and the majority of market fish stall holders are also natives of that place.

It seems to be the same old story. Chan sprang into the limelight when the seamen's strike negotiations began. Then he was found guilty of murdering his wife at Canton but was released by Sun Yat-sen. He came back to Hongkong to be deported and returned to Canton where he fell into disgrace through alleged embezzlement of union funds. For a time he was in Shanghai till he got into trouble there. Since then he was not heard of until at Namtau, he cropped up again. It has also been rumoured that he has incurred the displeasure, by his actions, of the native garrison.

Troops Disarmed.

Incoming passengers from Namtau have been able to throw some light on the recent Canton "war." Several hundred of General Hsu Shung-chi's Kuomintang (Cantonese) troops were seen to march on Namtau which was held by another band of Canton men who evidently did not satisfy the Bolsheviks.

The new-comers were far superior in numbers to the garrison and in a short while the defenders were disarmed.

It now means that the whole of the Chinese territory adjoining the British border is in the hands of Canton's trusted troops, including both the non-Cantonese "Cadets," and Cantonese regulars.

DOG LAW.

POLICE TO ENFORCE STRICTLY.

Instructions have been given to the police strictly to enforce the regulation which requires, except with the permission in writing of the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon, that no dog shall be removed from or landed on the Island of Hongkong.

TODAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand today was 2/4 15/16.

NATURALLY!

CANTON OFFICIALS DISOWN EMBARGO.

THE USUAL DODGE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Canton, August 30. The Government has replied to the British Consul General disclaiming the report that it published and approved the coastal shipping regulations.

The wording of the Canton Government's reply to Sir James Jamieson, the "China Mail" understands, was "that the proclamation regarding the embargo on shipping had not been authorised by the 'Government Department', but had been issued by the Strikers' Union.

The opinion expressed to a "China Mail" representative by local business men approached on

BORDER FIRING.

ANOTHER INCIDENT ON SATURDAY.

TELEPHONE LINE CUT.

A few shots were fired by Chinese soldiers at 6.30 p.m. on Saturday by Chinese soldiers half a mile from the border near Lowu. A party of Punjabis on patrol duty, who were satisfied that they were being made the target, returned the fire, and everything became quiet in a little while.

The telephone line between Lowu and Sheungshui was found to have been cut about a mile away from the latter station.



Because temporary food stations were established in the streets of Santa Barbara, few of the earthquake torn city's citizens missed a meal.

WORLD'S BEST VIEW

HONGKONG SEEN BY NIGHT?

Approach of some discussion that seems to have been going on at Home, Mr. T. Simmons of Edinburgh writes the following letter to the "Daily Mail":

In my opinion the world's best view is either the Firth of Forth as seen from Edinburgh Castle, or Malta seen as one enters the port of Valetta at daybreak.

For a night view one has to go a long way to see a more glorious sight than Hongkong viewed from the Kowloon ferry-boat.

Granted Hongkong, with all its fairly like lights leading up to the Peak but as for the other two we can imagine much controversy, remarks the "North China Daily News." In fact, the business is something like that which had two or three years ago almost as big a vogue in America as the cross-word puzzle, namely to decide who were the ten or dozen greatest men that the world had produced.

The latter brought out some weird opinions, absolutely unheard of people being quoted, and nobody agreed on any of them. In the same way, that the Firth of Forth or Valetta should get away without a protest is too much to expect. There is no doubt about how impressive the great sweep of the Firth is, and the attraction of the terraced heights of Valetta, but on the other hand Naples Bay has an established reputation of its own and in many places the Rockies of Canada are magnificent in their austere splendour. In fact when we go into the question we have to admit that it is dangerous even to rest our belief on Hongkong at night, for somebody may know something very much better. On the whole it seems safer to allow Mr. Simmons of Edinburgh to keep the burden of his opinion.

stated that the victors have not been resting on their laurels but rapidly following up their successes.

Reinforcements are believed to have arrived at Kongmoon which fell during the week-end, into Red hands. The army of General Leung Hung-kai, who is still reported to be in custody at Whampoa, is fleeing into the interior. A prediction has been made that it will shortly be in the territory of General Tang Fung-yun, who is a subordinate of Chan Kwing-ming. Canton war vessels are mentioned as having reached Kongmoon and the Red vanguard is penetrating inland to take over districts vacated by Leung's men.

Nowhere is there any possibility of offering resistance. General Cheung Kai-shek, c.i.c. of the Cadets, is now the autocrat of Canton. A triumvirate is supposed to exist but the other two—General Hsu Shung-chi and

REDS ON TOP.

AUTOCRAT EXTENDS HIS SPHERE.

TRIUMPHATE IN NAME?

Startling events took place in Canton during the week-end as a result of which the Bolshevik faction now holds undisputed sway in the city and in several important districts which were not hitherto so are now directly under Red influence.

There has been no fighting to speak of. As pointed out in the "China Mail" there was no offensive against Honam. In fact it now seems that General Li Fook-lam—of whom little was expected—has surrendered to the Reds but has been allowed to retain his command.

Latest messages to hand confirm the first details of the campaign of expansion by the Bolsheviks. This morning it was

NOTABLE EVENTS.

A QUEEN'S AND EMPEROR'S BIRTHDAYS.

HONGKONG CELEBRATIONS.

To-day (August 31) is an auspicious day in that on it fall the birthdays of two present day rulers, the Emperor Yoshihito of Japan and Helena Paulina Maria Wilhelmina, Queen of the Netherlands.

The official celebration of the Mikado's birthday does not, however, take place until October 30, owing to the heat then prevailing in Japan, and in order that whatever programme decided upon in connection with the occasion may be carried through in comfort. There was therefore no celebration among the local Japanese community to-day.

At the offices of the Dutch Consul this morning, to celebrate the occasion of the forty-fifth birthday of Her Majesty the Queen of Holland (who succeeded her late father to the throne in 1890) Mr. M. J. Quist, Consul, received the Hon. Sir Claud Severn, Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, Captain Swinton, M.C., A.D.C. to His Excellency the Governor, Commodore Stirling, his A.D.C. and the Naval Secretary, the C.S.P. Mr. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., also many Consuls and representatives of the local community.

Wong Ching-wai—are very much in the background.

West River Movement. Along the West River Red contingents are moving to attack a flank of the Cantonese garrison. Brigades of Cadets were thrown out in short time, occupying, without fighting, nearly all important points on the river and railway. These troops, according to latest intelligence, are moving towards the Sea Yan.

The Cadet chief, in reply to have refused the nomination of commander-in-chief of the Kuomintang Army, stating that he was satisfied to be President of the Whampoa Academy and garrison commander of Canton. He has appointed five army commanders, each with two divisions. In doing so he has named Hsu Shung-chi, hitherto the standby of the Cantonese Bolsheviks, as his subordinate. Li Fook-lam is also one of the chosen as are a Yunnanese and a Hunanese general, and Li Chai-sum whose sway extends along to Wuchow and parts of the West River.

Effect on Strike. In the excitement following the death of Liu Chung-oi, some of the strikers came in for rough treatment at the hands of Cadet patrols in Canton.

The position is that once having taken the guild leaders into confidence it will be necessary to provide for the rank and file. Liu Chung-oi's immediate subordinates are still officiating at the Finance Bureau and these are paying out the daily quota to maintain the strikers. Nominally, the Canton strike position has not changed. Actually, the possibility of a debacle is further removed and the outlook is not at all bright. With the pronounced Reds in the ascendant it is only natural to presume that the politicians will maintain their policy.

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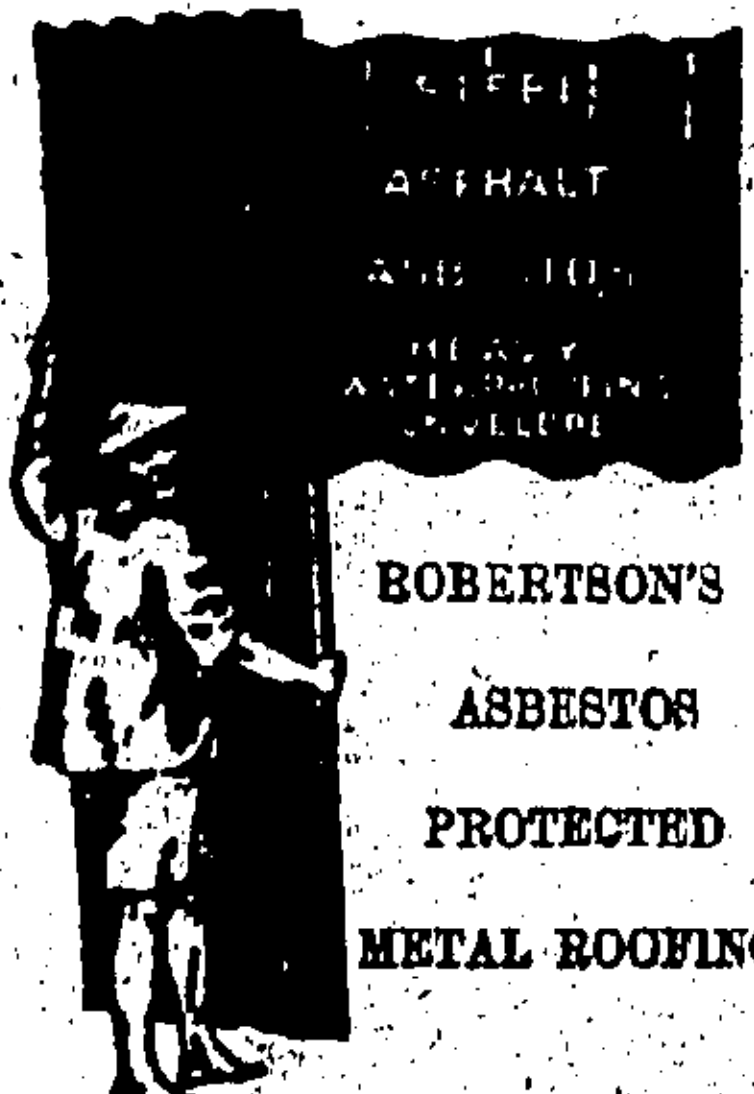
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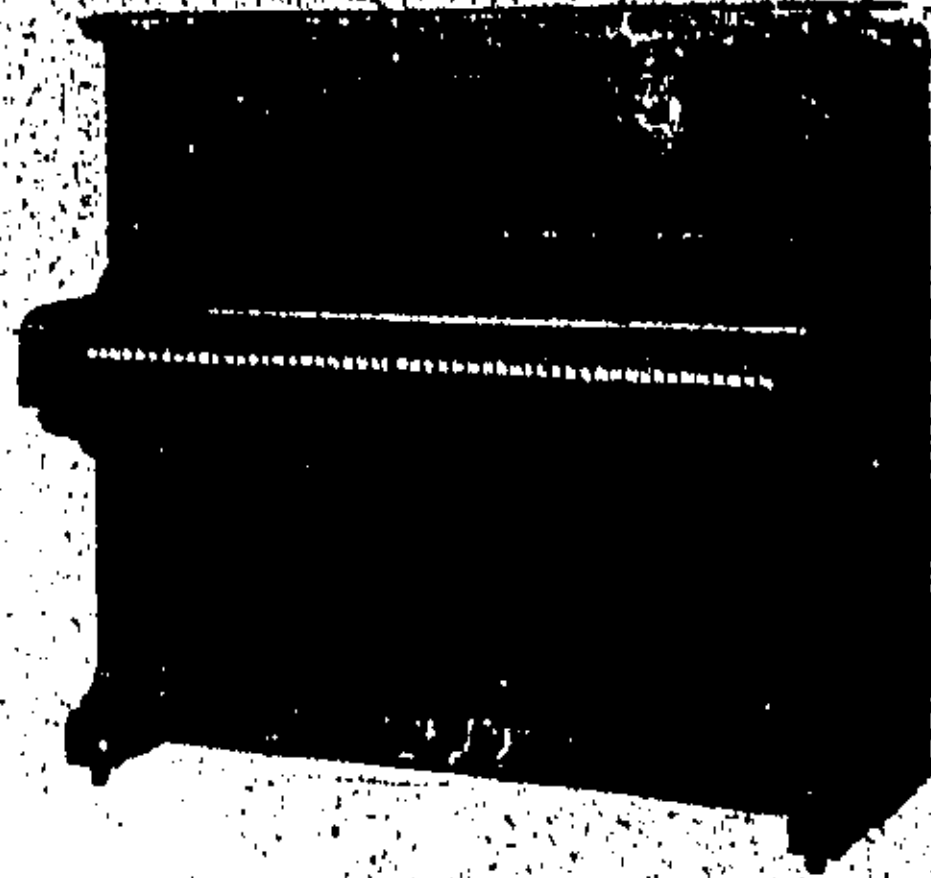
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MARRIAGE.

PRICE — IRVING.—On July 29, at All Saints', Woodchurch, Kent, E. L. Price, C.L.E., O.B.E., of Karachi, India, to Rachel, eldest daughter of E. A. Irving, late Hongkong C.S., and Mrs. Irving.

Hongkong, Monday, August 31, 1925.

THE COLONY'S FINANCES.

It may be that present conditions may suggest a speeding up in those Government Departments responsible for giving information of a public nature. The financial statement for the month of May is dated August 25. At the same rate of progress we shall have to wait for periods of three months and more to find how much the Colony has been "hit" by Canton's boycott. It is not difficult to imagine in what direction income has been affected. The community will be interested to know to what extent the Government will be able to maintain its standard of living. The Government's financial position will be a subject of interest to the community.

must be retrenchment in this department, but in what direction the official voice is, so far silent. With decreased expenditure there should be a decreased military contribution. We suggest that there should be a speeding up in the matter of publishing the monthly returns of income and expenditure, and that the Government should, at no distant date, give an indication of the lines of its retrenchment policy, and say if, in present conditions, it is making the best use of its very large staff of servants. It would be interesting to know if it is converted to the suggestion of loans for the payment of some of its public works, instead of charging capital expenditure to ordinary income. The Government, as all of us, has had a salutary lesson in Chinese: gratitude, politics, and morality. Looking to its able administrators it would be wrong to suggest that the lesson has been lost. The Government is unable to make a settlement of the present chaos, for reasons known and appreciated. It is able to lay down a policy that should make Hongkong tolerably safe for the future.

Can Sail Little.

The commander of one of the big British men-of-war visiting Shanghai happens to be very keen on sailing and, getting into touch with a prominent member of the Yacht Club, he was offered the loan of a boat whenever he cared to take it out. Some few days ago he ventured in one of the Byrnes boats and was so enraptured with its behaviour in all circumstances that he spent the whole of an afternoon shooting about the river, says the "North China Daily News." The boat's owner, thinking a little naval competition might add to the sport provided by the club, sought his laodah the next day and asked: "Yesterday one master take boat. He can sail?" The laodah looked far away into the distance and in an off-hand manner answered: "Yes, he can sail, little." Of course, the officers and men of H.M. Navy nowadays are not what they were in the days of Nelson, but the officers do go through a sailing course and, if we were forced to believe it, it would be galling to think that the commander of one of our cruisers did not know more about handling a small sailing boat than a Huangpu laodah. Especially when one knows the laodahs. The names of the parties concerned? Oh, no, not for any persuasion.

THEY SAY THAT—

The Crown can do no wrong. It cannot be negligent.—Judge Macpherson.

A levy on "brain capital" is impracticable.—Mr. A. G. Walkden.

I shall be sorry to see the day when meageries and circuses are abolished.—Alderman Pagett.

It is no use having a first-class brain if there is a second-class character behind it.—Sir W. Joynton-Hicks, M.P.

Many cases of maternity are handled, at present, in a disgraceful way.—Dr. Harold Waller.

We have done much to reduce infant mortality, but little to help the mothers.—Dr. R. A. Lytton.

Incompetence, unclean methods, undue haste, and unnecessary interference lie at the very root of the maternal mortality problem.—Dr. A. P. G. Spinks.

I can foresee the day when two-thirds of the population will be required to get a permit in order to enter the matrimonial state.—Mr. Wheatley, M.P.

The Mall to-day is like an imitation of Brooklands. Both vehicles and pedestrians should move in one direction.—Lord Newton.

The task of British representatives in the League of Nations would have been much easier if public opinion had been educated and mobilised.—Lord Astor.

The only solution of the traffic problem is to increase facilities for the flow of traffic by the construction of overhead viaducts, which will have to pass over the tops of houses, or underground roads.—Lord Montagu of Beaulieu.

Wanda, a girl of the White Star Line, was second mate on the wind-jammer "Falls of Dee," his last voyage in sail—the cargo shifted during a heavy gale and for a time it looked as though it would be the end of her, and him, and all.

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

There seems to be a message in what follows for Hongkong architects.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, opening an exhibition of the Liverpool School of Architecture, said he was there because he represented that section of democracy which hungered and thirsted after spiritual peace and beauty. Riches, without beauty, was poverty, and possessions without spiritual content was naught. The training of the architect did not end with a knowledge of the composition of bricks and stone, and how to deal with dry rot. It must be a training to grasp the life and the spirit of art. They wanted architects who would reveal to us the absolutely beautiful. When the architect built a house he built it not in a street but in a setting. The problem of architects engaged in domestic work was not to put on nice little houses, where nice little people might come to dwell and nice little children might play on nice little pianos. Domestic architecture should consist of embodying the communal spirit. Town halls, churches, public buildings, should be planned on beautiful and magnificent unity. The day would come when architects would know their business, and in order that they might know it, the public should give them sufficient encouragement.

Courage is of all kinds, from checking your taipan to getting the V.C. Many a Hongkong man will agree and probably agree that the "hero" in the following story was a little bit courageous:—

When Captain Bertram Hayes,

Commodore of the White Star Line, was second mate on the wind-jammer "Falls of Dee," his last voyage in sail—the cargo shifted during a heavy gale and for a time it looked as though it would be the end of her, and him, and all.

"A lot of us were gathered together hanging on as best we could, wondering what was going to happen, when the old sail-maker said:

"Here goes for a—good smoke before I go to hell."

With that he got hold of a rope and lowered himself down to the deck, crawled along to the deckhouse, and by and by struggled back with his pipe filled and well under way.

"The Bosun," who was really a bigger blackguard than the sail-maker—has certainly had used fouler language up till a few hours previously—reproved him for swearing at such a time, and 'Sails' answered:

"I've been swearing ever since I could talk, and I don't suppose it will make any difference where I go to if I knock off for the next half-hour."

"Which," adds Captain Hayes, "effectually squelched the Bosun."

Can you Glimpse another horror, rick? A Glimpse between a Limerick and a Cross-Word and goes something after this style:—

At Wembley, a holiday planner Found that for a bob and a . . . (A small coin),

He could tour round the . . . (Terrestrial globe),

Without quitting his . . . (Place were cricket chirp)

So he hastened in, waving a . . . (As carried by Excelsior!)

Simple, isn't it?

NONSENSE AND LITERATURE.

A distinguished foreign poet has just been urging upon our attention the remarkable importance of nonsense in English poetry, observes the "Daily Telegraph" (London). M. Emile Cammaerts, knowing our literature better than most of us, naturally has in it the interest of discovery and investigation and a fresh judgment, and he is constrained to pronounce that this nonsense has been treated far too superciliously by the critics. It took him, he confesses, a long time to understand. When he first saw such verses he rather shied at them, but, having lived among us for eighteen years, he "begins to see the joke," and, in fact, now considers that they are "of the essence of poetry." But under this general name of "nonsense" M. Cammaerts seems to include two quite different things. His first example is "that classic among nursery rhymes, 'Hey diddle diddle, the cat and the fiddle,' in which he finds not only 'a delightful pageant of absurdity and characteristic figures, but also a new kind of poetry and technique.' There is, he reminds us, very little of this sort of thing in other languages and a great deal in English. Now, we shall all admit that 'Hey diddle diddle' is nonsense. But M. Cammaerts pronounces that 'With a hey ho, the wind and the rain,' and 'It was a lover and his lass, with a hey and a ho and a hey nonino' are nonsense, too. His reason is that 'references which have nothing to do with the poem are brought in, for the sake of the music of the words and the pleasant images they suggest. The poetry, in fact, is making its appeal by a general impression rather than particular statements. That the sound should be an echo of the sense was the old maxim. In poetry of this kind the sound is the sense.' It was not, however, 'invented' by Englishmen, and most languages which are rich in poetry can show some of it. Theocritus and Catullus bring in things not in the least necessary 'for the sake of the music of the words.' Those lines of Alfred de Musset, which Gautier could not get out of his head, 'A Saint-Blaise, A la Zucca, nous étions bien là,' do not depend for their fascination on the importance of the fact that anybody ever was at Zucca.

Impossible to understand. The English delight in nonsense because it is nonsense rouses in them the "bleak amazement" with which, according to a French critic, our admiration for Swift, that great master of nonsense, is regarded in France. "We have lately been solemnly warned that the popularity of 'Alice in Wonderland,' being born and bred of Victorian fashion, cannot endure. There are believed to be people already who cannot understand why anybody should be amused when the poet

Thought he saw a banker's clerk

Descending from a 'bus.

He looked again and saw it was A hippopotamus.

"If this should stay to dine," he said,

There won't be much for us."

But the natural man has not yet ceased to smile when he recalls the didactics of

The feathered race with pinions skim the air,

Not so the mackerel, and still less the bear,

when he thinks of the nonsense of the Anti-Jacobin, of Sheridan, of Swift. Why should the revolving years consign Lewis Carroll and Edward Lear to an oblivion which has not drowned the elder masters? We shall continue to believe that the tragic passion of the Yongy Bongy Bo for the Lady Jingly Jones, and the invitation of the whiting to the snail, are stuff which the world will not willingly let die. But we cannot make the modest rhythms of Lear or Lewis Carroll fit M. Cammaerts's enthusiastic description, which speaks of "poetry run mad, poetry on the verge of becoming music when the words sometimes ceased to have any meaning."

This is true enough of such verse as Kingsley's wonderful song about "Lorraine," Lorraine, Lorraine, or Swinburne upon Faustine, Fragoletta, Dolores, Felice, and Yolande and Juliette. But when the owl and the pussycat go to sea, or the old man hunts for haddock's eyes among the heather bright, they are as controlled and definite as Mr. Pope. What they mean is perfectly precise. Indeed, the fun of the thing depends upon the meaning being lucid and exact. Without that precision the full splendour of the absurdity would not be achieved. The reason for the abundance and the excellence of this kind of nonsense in English is not to be found in M. Cammaerts's kindly explanation—an exuberance of the poetic faculty among us, but in a national determination to laugh at the serious and to laugh at the serious.

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 Below: JACK DEMPSEY & BALMORIDGE COLBY.

Governor Ferguson, of Texas, has pardoned more than 500 prisoners since she took office. Premier Armstrong, of Halifax, was ill and grave anxiety was felt. Jack Dempsey left for home after a tour of Europe. Balmoridge Colby, former Secretary of State, withdrew from counsel defending Professor John Scopes at Dayton, because of "antedating responsibilities."



Above: SEN. WILLIAM KING & JOHN L. LEWIS
 Below: GILBERT B. WINSTON & E. L. DOHENY.

Senator William King, after interviewing President von Hindenburg in Berlin, expressed himself as convinced there is no danger that Germany will be led back to monarchy. John L. Lewis, head of the United Mine Workers of America, will have the satisfaction of having his serious accusations against industrial leaders investigated at President Coolidge's order. Under Secretary of the Treasury Gilbert B. Winston announced additional heavy tax reductions during the next Congress. Edward L. Doheny stated a Pacific war scare had caused the Government to make the California and Hawaiian oil leases with him.



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Thousands gathered along the principal thoroughfares of Indianapolis, as the mortal remains of the late former Vice-President, Thomas R. Marshall, reached the city from Washington, where he died suddenly.

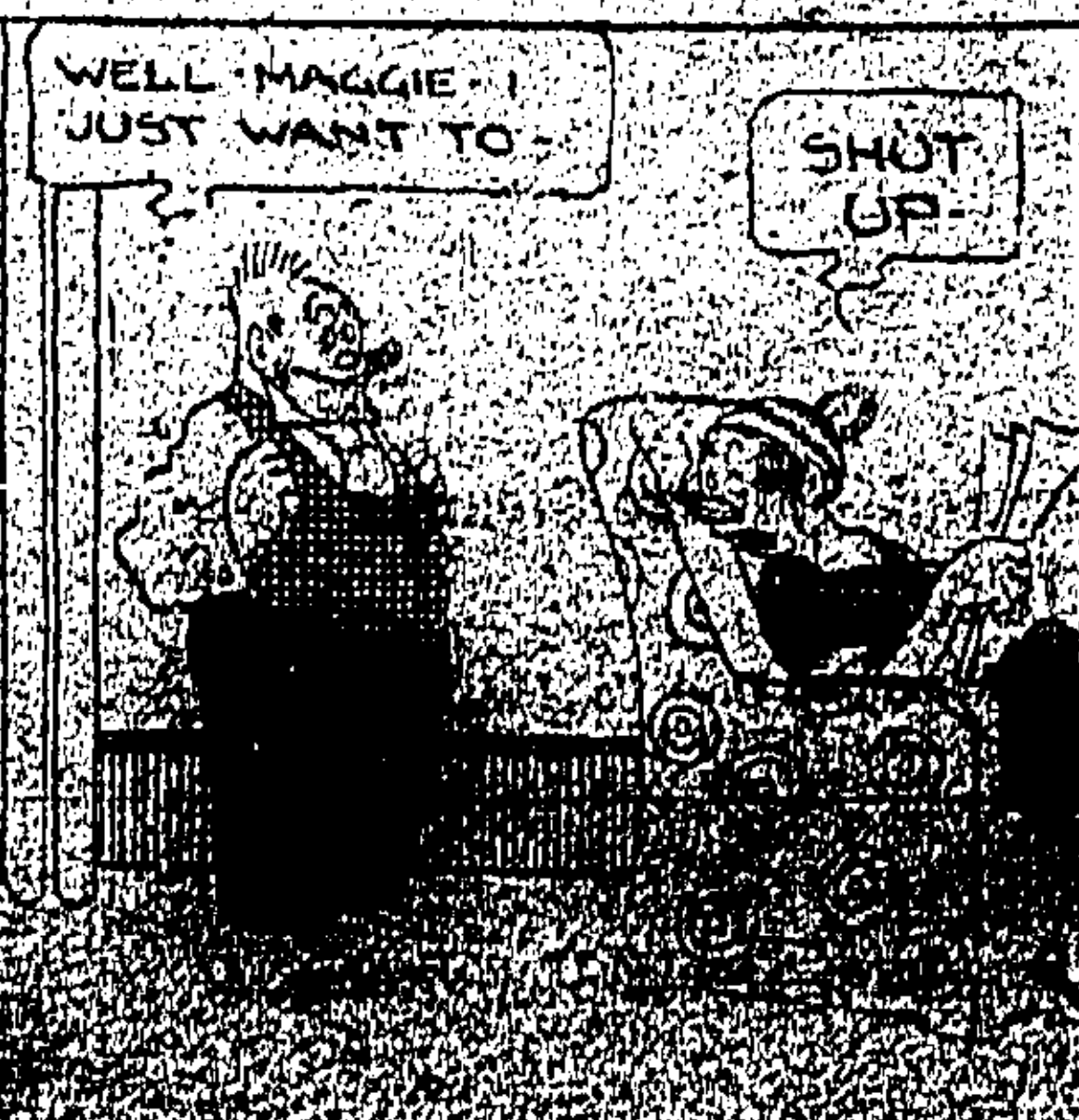


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BRINGING UP FATHER.

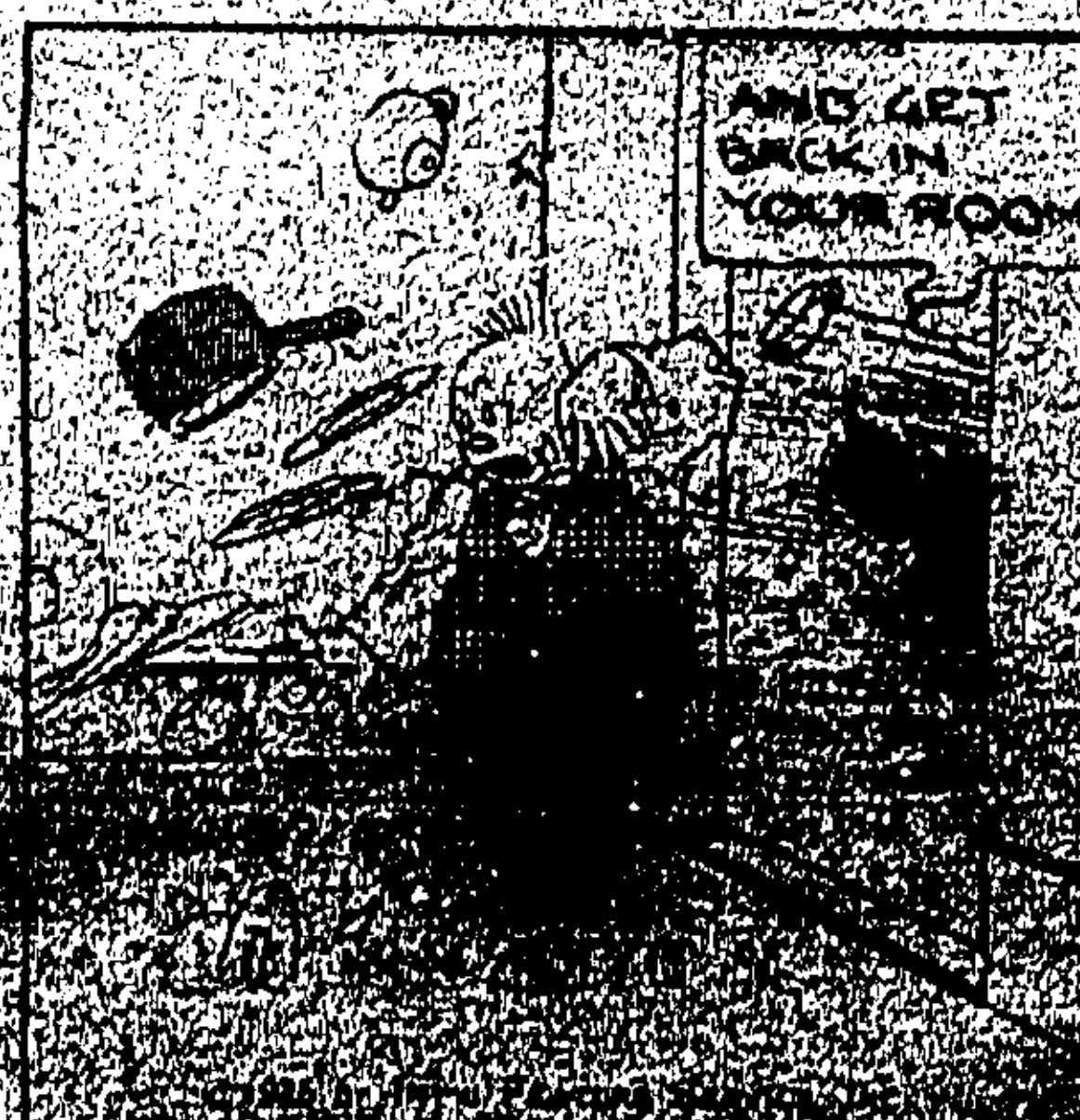


WELL, NONE OF THE GANG ARE GONNA BE AT DINTY'S TONIGHT. SO I THINK I'LL SURPRISE MAGGIE BY TELLIN' HER I'M GONNA STAY IN TONIGHT.



WELL, MAGGIE, I JUST WANT TO—

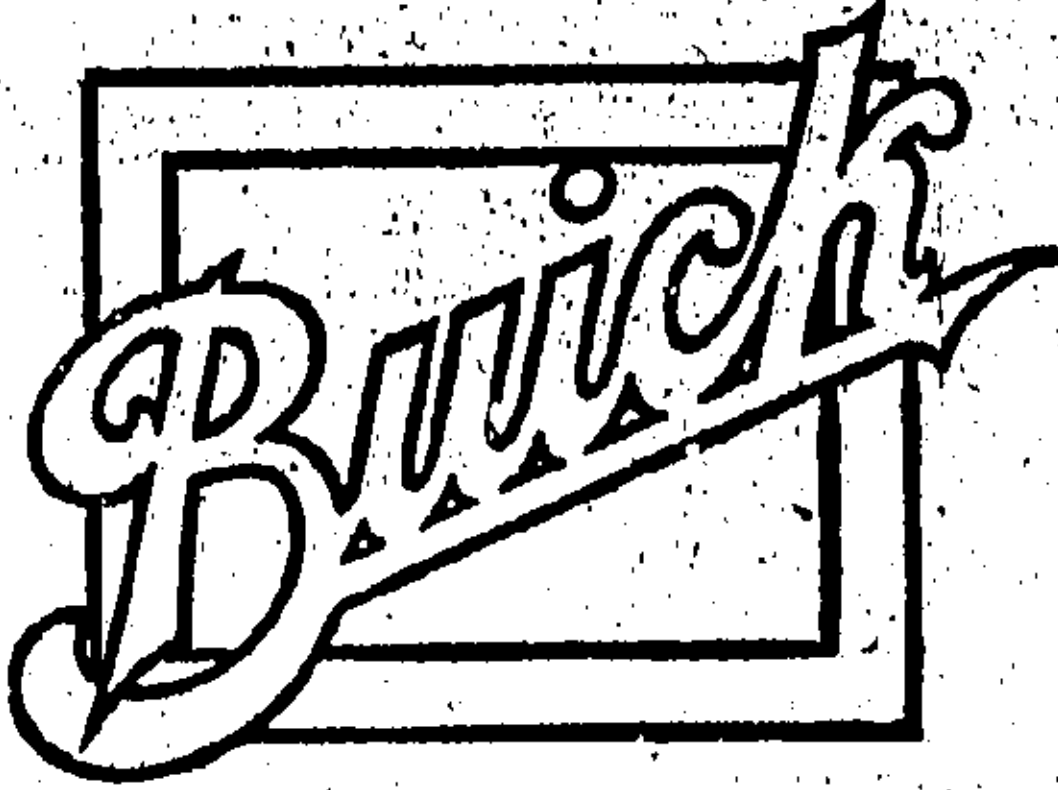
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PEER'S DAUGHTER.

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DESERVED BY HUSBAND.

Lord Ashmore heard evidence in the Court of Session in an undelivered action of divorce by the Honourable Helen Cecil Douglas Scott Montagu or Clark-Kennedy, 40 St. James's Square, London, against Arthur John Clark-Kennedy, whose present address was understood to be Dumfries House Mans, Dumfries, Ayrshire.

The pursuer (35) said that she was the eldest daughter of Lord Montagu of Beaulieu.

MARRIED IN THE STATES.

She adopted the stage as a profession, and went to America to fulfil an engagement in August, 1918. While she was there she made the acquaintance of the defender, and they were married in New Jersey in December, 1918. There were no children of the marriage.

In the marriage certificate the husband described himself as a widower. She now knew that he was not a widower in the strict sense of the word, but that he had been divorced in the Scottish Courts in 1908 on the ground of misconduct.

After the marriage they had no permanent residence in America. The defender took a house for a short time, but financial obligations caused him to give it up. They lived in the house and in hotels.

Her husband informed her in January, 1918, that he desired to go to Britain for business purposes.

They parted on perfectly good terms, and she had no anticipation that his absence was to be perpetual. At that time, if financial considerations had permitted it, she was quite anxious to return to England, as her mother was not well and she was very anxious to see her. She suggested to him that she should go to Britain, but he objected on the ground that he could not afford it, and besides the war was in progress at the time.

Her husband made an arrangement with her father to give her an allowance of about \$100 a month. Payment ceased altogether about September, 1918.

She had not seen him since the day he left New York. They corresponded regularly after he left America, and her husband replied regularly to her letters to start with.

ABSOLUTELY PENNYLESS.

In a letter to her father she told him that for four weeks she had been absolutely penniless. Her landlady was kind to her and trusted her to pay when she could, and also gave her a little food when she could not get a meal otherwise. She had to borrow right and left, and she was getting desperate for fear she would be turned out.

She continued to correspond with her husband until 1920, but his replies became fewer and more vague.

She put it to him in her letters that it was his duty to make a home for her. He never made any direct reply to that. He used to comment on his business affairs and his social life, and tell her about his family affairs.

In one or two of his letters he said he might be coming out to her in the near future.

An outbreak of influenza occurred in America in October, 1918. At that time she was pursuing her profession. The epidemic had the effect of closing the theatres in New York, with the result that she was



GENERAL PANGATOS

General Pangatos assumed leadership of the military forces of Greece in the revolution against the Michalakopoulos Government.

hard pushed for money. She wrote to her husband more than once that he was either to come back to her or send for her. She told him she was in New York penniless. She also wrote to her father and mother informing them of her plight. About the same time she also wrote to Lady Margaret Kerr, who was her favourite aunt, and who was kind enough to help her out on several occasions.

NO REPLY TO LETTERS.

She was last in communication

with her husband in 1920. Between that year and July, 1923, when she returned from America, she continued to write to him at intervals, but received no reply to any of these letters.

On her return she made inquiries as to her husband's whereabouts, but could get no information. He was a difficult person to trace, and his relatives did not seem to know much about him. Quite accidentally she discovered his address last year.

She knew her husband was a member of a well-known family in Kirkcubrightshire, that his father was a distinguished soldier, and that he was the second son. At the time they were married he occasionally spoke about his estates in Scotland.

UNCERTAIN OCCUPATION.

In reply to his Lordship, the witness said she did not quite know how to describe her husband's occupation in America. He had an office when she first got to know him, but she found out that it was merely an address. He was supposed to be promoting some Colorado gold mines.

He had scraped an acquaintance with her, if she might say so, by writing and telling her he was a relative of hers.

Lord Montagu of Beaulieu, father of the pursuer, stated that he told the defender in New York in 1918 that he should give the pursuer a proper fixed allowance. In the autumn of that year the witness got letters from his daughter, in which she stated that she was receiving no allowance from her husband, and that she needed money.

The defender constantly promised to go to see the witness about the matter, and he came on one occasion, when the witness informed him that he was behaving very badly to his girl. He was very evasive in his replies. On several occasions he promised to do things, but he did not keep his word.

Decree of divorce on the ground of desertion was granted.

A WEMBLEY BEAUTY.

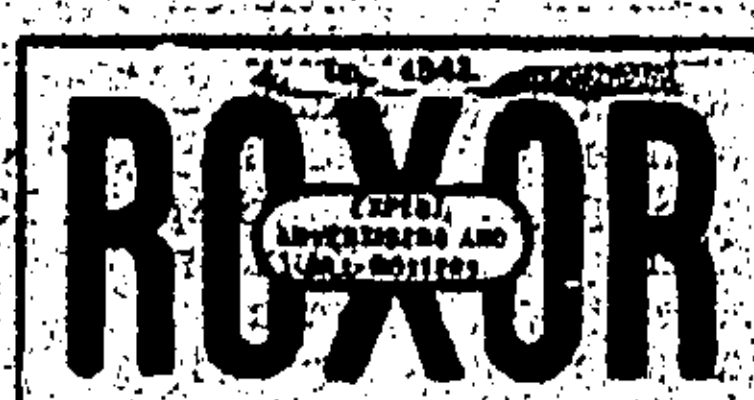
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